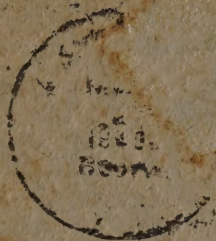
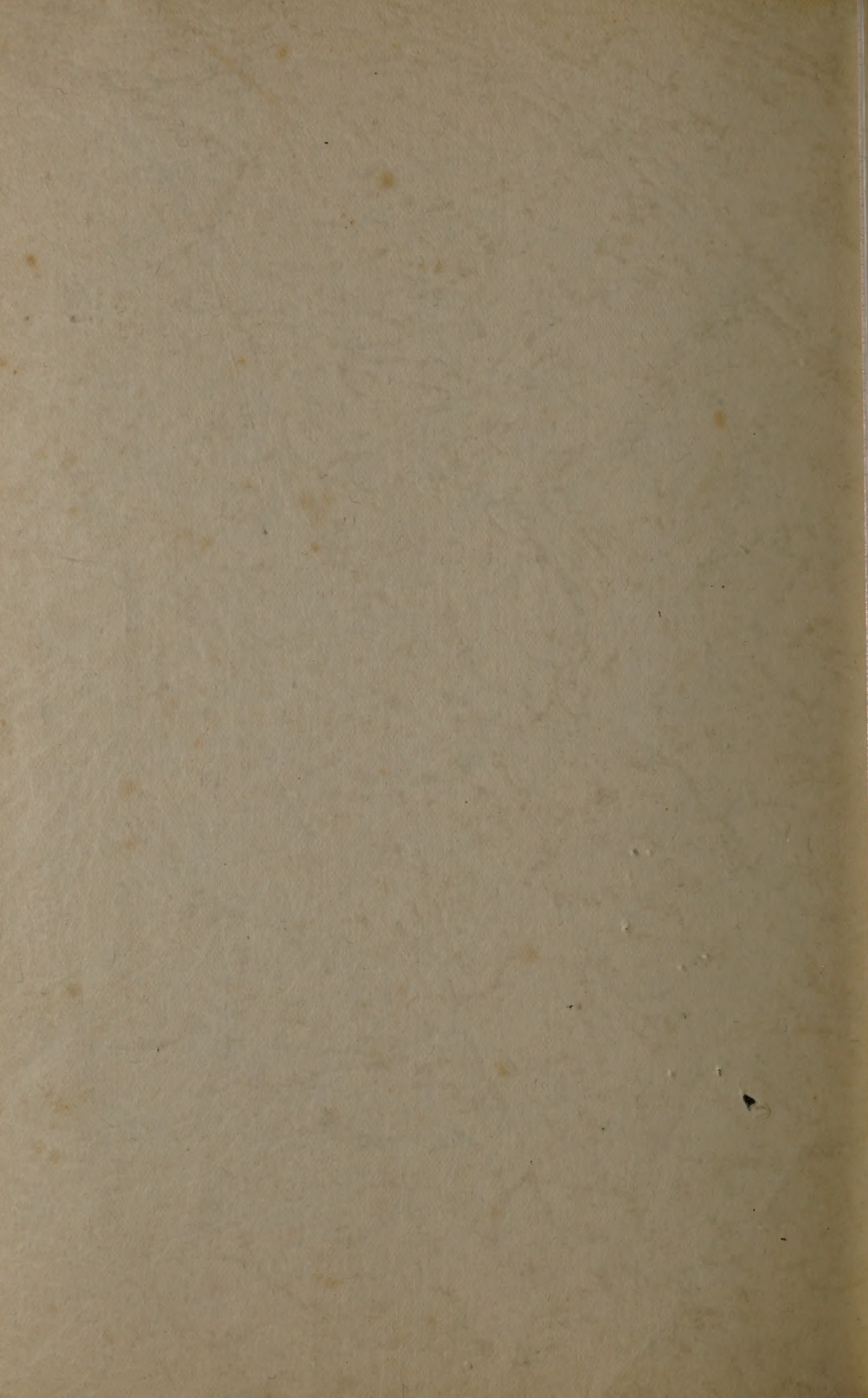


*J. B. Frost
Groton, VT*



REPORTS
OF THE
OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
GROTON, VERMONT

For the Year Ending
January 31st, 1940



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Town Officers

Moderator

George H. Ricker

Clerk and Treasurer

George H. Millis

Selectmen

John W. French	1940
Gerald Morse	1941
C. J. Bailey	1942

School Directors

Mary Beck	1940
Earl Welch	1941
Addie Ricker	1942

Road Commissioner

Bert Bailey

Overseer

P. Stanley Taisey

Constable and Tax Collector

George H. Ricker

Second Constable

Gerald Smith

Listers

H. P. Ricker	1940
Earl Welch	1941
W. F. Darling	Resigned

Trustee of Public Money

George H. Millis

Town Agent

John K. White

Library Trustees

Vera Frost	1940
Hellene White	1941
Nellie Jeffery	1942
Ida M. Ricker	1943
Fannie M. B. Ricker	1944

Grand Juror

Auditors

J. Clarence Welch	1940
Phillip T. White	1941
Wilson W. Pillsbury (Appointed)	

Tax Rate \$3.75

Report of Tax Collector

Year	Due 2-1-39	Collected	Discount	Abated	Uncollected
1928	\$ 10 09			\$ 1 34	\$ 8 75
1929	51 47	\$ 4 47		8 00	39 00
1930	225 51	32 46		12 50	180 55
1931	458 52	61 51		33 29	363 72
1932	797 99	135 23		31 30	631 46
1933	676 40	144 63		18 00	513 77
1934	1042 03	304 17		9 60	728 26
1935	1240 74	267 42		6 25	967 07
1936	2479 49	1004 68		11 50	1463 31
1937	4222 46	1925 09			2297 37
1938	7836 00				
	12 20*				
	7848 20	3497 66		15 80	4334 74
1939	20718 12				
	6 25**				
	20724 37	13353 97	\$171 22	16 25	7182 93
Total	\$39777 27	\$20731 29	\$171 22	\$163 83	\$18710 93

*12.20 Two 1938 Polls paid but not listed.

** 6.25 One 1939 Poll paid but not listed.

George H. Ricker, Collector

Groton, Vermont

January 29, 1940

To the Voters of the Town of Groton, Vt.

I submit, at the request of the Old Age Assistance Department, their annual report to be included in the town report of expenditures in this town.

Payments of Old Age Assistance to persons applying from your town—\$3,525.00 during the year January 1, 1939 to December 31, 1939. The number of recipients in December 1939 was 22.

The resources of this department and its ability to make payments are determined by the state appropriations which is matched by federal funds. During recent months it has not been possible to grant assistance to all new applicants who have been found eligible after investigation. The co-operation of overseers in extending temporary aid and supplementary Medical services has been very helpful.

The administrative expenses of the department during the year was 3.9%.

The advice and council of local officials and interested people are gratefully acknowledged by this department and its field staff.

We now have 8 applicants that are waiting, but, due to lack of funds haven't received any aid as yet.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Frost,

Local Investigator

Report of Treasurer

CASH RECEIVED

Cash on hand February 1, 1939	\$ 2421 01
Geo. H. Ricker, Coll., Cash from parties not listed in the 1938 Grand list	107 80
Geo. H. Ricker, Coll. tax money	20731 30
Geo. H. Ricker, Constable, dog license money	10 00
Town Clerk, dog license money	142 00
Selectmen, Cemetery fund	62 85
Selectmen, dance hall license	15 00
Overseer, rebate on Delia Welch account	3 50
Overseer, rebate on Ernest Whitehill	20 50
Groton Village, sanding sidewalks	23 05
Road Commissioner, cash	50
C. J. Bailey, tar	3 05
B. L. Brown, dynamite	3 92
Gerald Morse, tar	10 15
Vern Frost, tar	8 32
State of Vermont, on winter roads	663 22
State of Vermont, for use of truck	285 84
State of Vermont, flood and hurricane damage	397 52
State of Vermont, for resurfacing roads	192 90
State of Vermont, for highway maintenance	42 70
State of Vermont, for town highways	1989 60
State of Vermont, from Income tax and State aid	729 59
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	\$27864 32

Cash Received for Schools

State of Vermont, State school money	\$3432 37
State of Vermont, vocational education	689 65
Town of Ryegate, tuition	1389 58
Town of Topsham, tuition	388 34
Town of Newbury, tuition	8 33
Ralph Evans, lease land	10 30
Mattie Frost, lease land	4 97
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	5923 54
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Total Receipts	\$33787 86

CASH PAID OUT

Paid Outstanding orders 1938-39	\$ 810 55
Paid Selectmen's orders	11741 86
Paid School Directors' orders	12522 66
Paid Road Commissioner's orders	1582 71
Paid State Road orders	1139 93
Paid Unselected road orders	1990 44
Paid Winter road orders	374 60
Paid Overseer's orders, Virginia Frost	215 48
Paid Overseer's orders, Stanley Taisey	2028 06

Total Paid	\$32406 29
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Total Receipts	\$33787 86
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Total Payments	32406 29
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Cash in the hands of Treasurer	\$ 1381 57
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G. H. Millis, Treasurer

Financial Standing

LIABILITIES

Interest Bearing Bonds and Orders

Montpelier National Bank, Bonds	\$24000 00
Order No.	
3 Feb. 1, 1918, I. H. Goodwin	1000 00
53 July 1, 1921, Jessie Whitehill	1000 00
3 Feb. 1, 1922, Sophronia Crown Est.	500 00
103 Jan. 4, 1923, Sophronia Crown Est.	1000 00
563 Jan. 30, 1928, E. E. Darling	2000 00
157 Jan. 30, 1929, E. E. Darling	2200 00
348 Apr. 28, 1932, Trustees M. E. Church	1000 00
373 July 8, 1932, Rose Darling	1000 00
538 Apr. 10, 1932, Mrs. C. F. Robinson	300 00
1 Feb. 6, 1935, Carl Vance	700 00
36 Apr. 13, 1935, Carl Vance	900 00
37 Apr. 15, 1935, Rose Darling	500 00
103 Jan. 1, 1938, Grant Vance	1600 00
101 July 10, 1939, N. W. Whitehill	1200 00
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	\$38900 00

Outstanding Orders

433 of 1932, Ed. Butson, care of cemetery lot	\$ 3 50
643 of 1933, H. T. Morrison, Hall rent	5 00
183 of 1936, Larrow Estate, gravel	21 70
298 of 1937, Larrow Estate, gravel	18 20
280 of 1940, Maggie McQueen, cleaning schoolhouse	5 00
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	53 40
Amount due School account February 1, 1940	4601 17
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Total Liabilities	\$43554 57

ASSETS

Due on tax bills, see Collector's report	\$18710 92
Fifty shares Class B Stock	1000 00
Material in the hands of Selectmen	220 00

Due schools tuition, see school report	277 67
Due from State, winter roads	326 60
Due from rent on lease land	36 00
Cash in hands of Treasurer	1381 57

\$21952 76

Total Liabilities	\$43554 57
Total Assets	21952 76

\$21601 81

Town debt 1939	\$25666 12
Town debt 1940	21601 81

Debt decreased	\$ 4064 31
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Selectmen's Report

For the year ending January 31, 1940

Number

1. C. J. Bailey, services as clerk and selectman for 1938	\$ 115 00
2. J. W. French, services as selectman for 1938	65 00
3. Gerald Morse, services as selectman for 1938	65 00
4. George N. Clark, putting up and taking down booths for three elections, and trip to Woodsville for pipe and fittings in 1938	9 00
5. Clinton Emery, winter snow work in Hanchettville	7 00
6. Maurice Cross, services as auditor in 1938 (Acct.)	20 00
7. J. Clarence Welch, services as auditor in 1938 (Acct.)	20 00
8. Philip White, services as auditor in 1938 (Acct.)	20 00
9. Socony Vacuum Oil Co., 251 gals. Mobile fuel oil	19 45
10. Bert Bailey, labor on snow plow, 48 hrs. @ .50 per hr.	24 00
11. Franklin Emery, labor on snow plow, 33 hrs. @ .37½ per hr.	12 38
12. Wendell Crown, labor on snow plow, 11 hrs. @ .37½ per hr.	4 13
13. Franklin Emery, winter road work, 15 hrs. @ .30 per hour	4 50
14. Wendell Crown, work on winter roads and H. M. Ricker's bridge 27 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	8 10
15. George Dimick, work on winter roads and H. M. Ricker's bridge 27 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	8 10
16. Achilles' Garage, labor and material	16 90
17. Vt. Road Equipment Co., repairs for snow plow	13 00
18. Bert Bailey, labor on snow plow, 36 hrs. @ .50 per hr.	18 00
19. Wendell Crown, labor on snow plow, 36 hrs. @ .37½ per hr.	13 50
20. Bert Bailey, labor on winter roads, 19 hrs. @ .42½ per hr.	8 08
21. Franklin Emery, labor on winter roads, 27 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	8 10
22. George Dimick, labor on winter roads, 25 hrs. @ .33 per hr.	8 25
23. Wendell Crown, labor on winter roads, 8 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	2 40

24. Horace Bailey, labor on winter roads, 13 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	3 90
25. Gerald and Gladys H. Smith, rent on Town Clerk's office, 3 mo.	12 00
26. Philip T. White, postage for mailing 202 town reports	8 04
27. Vt. Road Equipment Co., generator belt for tractor	1 50
28. C. C. Lord, printing 550 town reports	98 60
29. Bert Bailey, sanding roads, 20 hrs. @ .42½ per hr.	8 50
30. Franklin Emery, 20 hrs. sanding roads @ .30 per hr.	6 00
31. George Dimick, 20 hrs. sanding roads (truckman), @ .33 per hr.	6 60
32. Wendell Crown, 5 hrs. sanding roads, @ .30 per hr.	1 50
33. Motor Vehicle Dept., registration of truck	10 00
34. Motor Vehicle Dept., registration of old tractor	10 00
35. H. M. Ricker, 380 ft. of 3 in. plank	9 50
36. Bert Bailey, plowing roads, 51 hrs. @ .50 per hr.	25 50
37. Wendell Crown, 43 hrs. plowing rds. @ .37½ per hr.	16 12
38. Bert Bailey, 5 hrs. labor on winter roads @ .42½ per hour	2 12
39. Wendell Crown, 18 hrs. labor on winter roads @ .30 per hr.	5 40
40. George Dimick, 23 hrs. labor on winter roads, @ .33 per hr.	7 59
41. Franklin Emery, labor on winter roads, 3 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	90
42. Joe McQueen, labor on winter roads, 15 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	4 50
43. Motor Vehicle Dept., registration of snow plow tractor	10 00
44. Bert Bailey, plowing roads, 38 hrs. @ .50 per hr.	19 00
45. Bert Bailey, labor on winter roads, 32 hrs. @ .42½ per hr.	13 60
46. Franklin Emery, plowing roads, 20 hrs. @ .37½ per hour	7 50
47. Franklin Emery, labor on winter roads, 41 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	12 30
48. Wendell Crown, labor on winter roads, 35 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	10 50
49. George Dimick, labor on winter roads (truckman), 42 hrs. @ .33	13 86

50. Guy Darling, labor on winter roads, 28 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	8 40
51. Socony Vacuum Oil Co., 251 gals. Mobile fuel oil	19 45
52. Vt. Road Equipment Co. Brake Lining for snow tractor	12 70
53. Spoiled	
54. Mr. I. J. Davis, for drafting map of village cemetery	12 00
55. Mrs. C. J. Bailey, garage rent for Jan., Feb., March	51 00
56. Edwin Goodwin, turning water, 99 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	29 70
57. George Goodwin, turning water, 56 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	16 80
58. Bert Bailey, turning water, 73 hrs. @ .42½ per hr.	31 02
59. George Dimick, turning water (truckman), 70 hrs. @ .33 per hr.	23 10
60. Franklin Emery, turning water, 70 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	21 00
61. Wendell Crown, turning water, 70 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	21 00
62. Guy Darling, turning water, 54 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	16 20
63. Carl Vance, turning water, 6 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	1 80
64. McAuliffe Paper Co., flags for the cemetery	6 24
65. Farm Bureau Ins. Co., ins. for Ford truck	12 15
66. Dr. C. E. Brady, health officer for quarantining from July 1, 1938 to Dec. 31, 1938	78 00
67. Milton L. Julian, County Treas., county tax	78 28
68. Reynolds & Sons Inc., 4 push brooms	5 76
69. Vt. Road Equipment Co., bearing facing and plate assembly	9 60
70. Allied Steel Co., one 5/8 x 15 ft. chain and hook	33 60
71. Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Smith, rent on Town Clerk's office, 3 months	12 00
72. H. M. Ricker, 1183 ft. hemlock plank (Goodwin bridge)	29 57
73. Roger Eastman, winter rd. work (Hanchettville rd.)	7 20
74. Robert Pillsbury, services as ballot clerk for March meeting	3 00
75. L. G. Welch, services as ballot clerk for March meeting	3 00
76. Donald Foley, services as ballot clerk for March meeting	3 00
77. Mrs. Bessie Morrison, hall rent for March meeting	5 00
78. George H. Ricker, services as moderator at March meeting	3 00

79. John French, services as ballot clerk for March meeting	3 00
80. Mrs. Nellie Jeffrey, services as ballot clerk for March meeting	3 00
81. B. L. Brown, services as ballot clerk for March meeting	3 00
82. H. P. Ricker, services as lister and use of car	58 50
83. J. K. White, gas and material	44 10
84. Bert Bailey, removing snow fence, bridge work, 45 hrs. @ .42 per hr.	18 90
85. Franklin Emery, removing snow fence, bridge work, 45 hrs. @ .30	13 50
86. George Dimick, removing snow fence, bridge work, (truckman), 45 hrs. @ .33 per hr.	14.85
87. Ned Lindsay, removing snow fence, bridge work, 45 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	13 50
88. Norman Rock, removing snow fence, bridge work, 45 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	13 50
89. Fred Hayes, turning water, 20 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	6 00
90. Henry Goodine, 86 yds. sand @ .10 per yd.	8 60
91. Vt. Institutional Industries, 10 delinquent tax books	2 63
92. Ralph Evans, turning water, 13 hrs. @ .30 per hr.	3 90
93. C. J. Bailey, Feb. postage and telephone bill	2 31
94. Mrs. Eva A. Bailey, garage rent for April, May, June	30 00
95. G. H. Millis, making 1939 tax books	25 00
*96. Nelson W. Whitehill, payment on principal of order No. 33 dated July 1, 1921	500 00
97. Norman Achilles, exchange of motor and labor on Ford truck	94 70
98. Montpelier Nat'l Bank, int. on \$25,500 bond @ 3½%	446 25
99. Allied Steel Co., road equipment	170 21
100. Nelson W. Whitehill, int. (on order No. 33, dated July 1, 1921) paid to July 10, 1939	26 28
*101. Nelson W. Whitehill, to replace Bal. of-order No. 33, dated July 1, 1921	1200 00
102. Montpelier Nat'l Bank, payment of borrowed money	3000 00
103. George H. Ricker, postage and printing of first tax bills	13 20
104. C. J. Bailey, coal for Town Clerk's office and garage	72 84
105. Vt. Rd. Equipment Co., straightening lugs on tractor	7 00

105. C. C. Lord, printing	23 86
107. C. E. Ricker, ins. on Town Clerk's office fixtures	10 80
108. Earl Welch, listing and use of car	67 00
109. Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Smith, rent on Town Clerk's office, 3 months	12 00
110. George H. Ricker, bal. commission on 1938 tax collections	70 28
111. George H. Ricker, services as old age investigator for 1938-39	10 00
112. Mose Randall, mowing West Groton cemetery	6 00
113. George H. Millis, services as Town Clerk and Treas.	50 00
114. Mrs. C. J. Bailey, garage rent for July, Aug., Sept.	30 00
115. International Salt Co., one ton of road salt	8 60
116. D. C. McLam, 6,017 ft. of 3 in. plank	150 42
117. G. E. Ricker, fire ins. on library books	3 30
118. Gerald Smith, rent on Town Clerk's office, 3 mo.	12 00
119. Farm Bureau Ins. Co., ins. on Ford truck	12 15
120. Frank Morrison, posts for cemetery	3 40
121. John K. White, gas and supplies	17 29
122. Norman Lowe, Farm Bureau Assoc. county tax	81 40
123. Thomas H. Cave, old age assistance tax	947 25
124. Thos. H. Cave, assessment on route 302	946 92
125. Tuttle Stationery Co., general index book	45 86
126. McLure's Student Band, 8 concerts	125 00
127. Vt. Road Equipment Co., snow plow and tractor parts	120 78
128. Tuttle Stationery Co., one birth and one death index book	11 99
129. Fred D. White, labor in cemetery, also mowing school yard	66 40
130. Mrs. H. M. Ricker, Treas. of library	25 00
131. Mrs. C. J. Bailey, garage rent for Oct., Nov., Dec.	44 00
132. Mrs. C. J. Bailey, rent on shed from Jan. 1, 1939 to Jan. 1, 1940	25 00
133. Vt. Road Equipment Co., supplies for snow plow tractor	55 84
134. Mrs. J. B. Renfrew, services as librarian and lights	112 00
135. Montpelier Nat. Bank, 2 bonds	1500 00
136. Montpelier Nat. Bank, int. on bonds	446 25
137. G. H. Millis, vital statistics and lights	24 80

138. G. H. Millis, services as Clerk and Treasurer	75 00
139. I. H. Goodwin, int. on order No. 3 to Feb. 1, 1940	35 00
150. N. W. Whitehill, int. on order No. 101 from July 9, 1939 to Feb. 1, 1940	23 45
141. Jessie Whitehill, int. on order No. 53 to Feb. 1, '40	35 00
142. Sophronia Crown Est., int. on order No. 3 and 103 to Feb. 1, 1940	52 50
143. E. E. Darling, int. on orders No. 563 and 157 to Feb. 1, 1940	147 00
144. Trustees M. E. Church, int. on order No. 348 to Feb. 1, 1940	35 00
145. Rose Darling, int. on orders No. 373 and 37 to Feb. 1, 1940	52 50
146. Mrs. C. F. Robinson, int. on order No. 548 to Feb. 1, 1940	10 50
147. Carl Vance, int. on orders No. 1 and 36 to Feb. 1, '40	56 00
148. Grant Vance, int. on order No. 103 to Feb. 1, 1940	56 00
149. J. K. White Est., gas and supplies	8 94
150. Fred D. White, care of permanent cemetery lots	62 85
151. W. F. Darling, 13 days listing @ \$3 per day	39 00
152. John French, postage, telephone, and mileage	8 90
153. George H. Ricker, killing and burying 1 dog	2 00
154. C. C. Lord, printing	2 75
155. Addie Ricker, taking school census	10 62
Total	\$12941 86
Total amount of Selectmen's orders drawn	\$12941 86
Less order No. 101 to replace bal. of order No. 33	\$1200 00
Permanent Cemetery Funds	62 85
	1262 85
Net cost to town	\$11679 01

* Orders No. 96 (\$500.) and No. 101 (\$1200.) were issued to replace Interest Bearing Order No. 33 (\$1700.) dated July 1, 1921.

CLASSIFICATION OF SELECTMEN'S ORDERS

to January 31, 1940

Interest	\$ 1421 73
Elections	35 00
Cost of winter roads	794 47
Salaries	430 00
Postage, printing and telephone	160 29
Insurance	38 40
Registration of truck and tractor	20 00
Listers salaries and mileage	164 50
Rents	228 00
Bridges	263 74
Cemetery expense	94 04
Gas and material	244 24
Repairs on truck	111 60
Health Officer	78 00
Library expense	137 00
Vital statistics and making tax books	49 80
Fuel	72 84
School census	10 62
Bal. commission on 1938 tax collections	70 28
Record books for Town Clerk's Office	63 61
McLure's Student Band	125 00
Killing dog	2 00
Note and interest bearing order paid	3500 00
Bonds paid	1500 00
Old age investigator	10 00

Fixed Charges

County tax	\$ 78 28
Farm Bureau Assoc., county tax	81 40
Old age assistance tax	947 25
Assessment on route 302	946 92
	<hr/> 2053 85
Total	<hr/> \$11679 01

The total amount of the Selectmen's orders is much greater than in previous years due to the fact that there has been no check drawn by the Treasurer without an order from the Selectmen.

The following improved road work was done this year under the supervision of the Selectmen with the approval of the District Commissioner.

The State Aid money was expended on Selected Highway No. 1. Necessary culverts were put in, and the road was widened and graveled for a distance of approximately seven-tenths of a mile.

The unselected Highway money for Town Roads was expended on the following roads: the Westville road to the Seyon Trout Ranch and Railroad street. The Westville road was widened and graveled for a distance of approximately seven tenths of a mile. Railroad street was surface treated.

Also from the unselected Highway fund \$500.00 was set aside for the care of winter roads.

We are submitting below a Budget estimate which is based on actual expense that must be paid. We ask the tax payer to give this careful consideration that the town may not increase our debt this year.

Overseer	\$0.45
Summer Roads	.30
Winter Roads	.20
Retire Bonds	.30
Interest	.30
Route No. 302	.20
General Expenses	.45
Town Officers	.20

Town Tax	\$2.40
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John W. French
Gerald Morse
C. J. Bailey
Selectmen

Report of Road Commissioner

Summary

Expended on Selected Highway No. 1

Bert Bailey, 265 hrs. labor	\$ 112 62	
Wendell Crown, 199 hrs. labor	66 19	
Ernest Taisey, 265 hrs. labor	79 50	
Norman Rock, 257 hrs. labor	77 10	
Gilman Summers, 249 hrs. labor	74 70	
Ned Lindsey, 241 hrs. labor	72 30	
George Dimick, 241 hrs. labor	79 76	
Franklin Emery, 177 hrs. labor	53 10	
Stanley Taisey, 16 hrs. labor	4 80	
Guy Darling, 16 hrs. labor	4 80	
Bert Bailey, 265 hrs. labor, truck	185 50	
Town Truck, 201 hrs.	140 70	
Total for Labor, Truck, etc.	<hr/>	\$ 951 07
Sam Ricker, 23 loads filling	\$ 1 15	
Robert Brown, 35 yds. gravel	3 50	
M. E. Beckley, 20 ft. of Culvert	16 00	
Raymond Page, 478 yds. gravel	47 80	
Barrett Co., 987 gals. of tar	120 41	
Total for Materials	<hr/>	188 86
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Total Cost		\$ 1139 93
Appropriation	\$922 49	
Cold pack on hand	160 00	
Credit from State for Maintenance	42 70	
	<hr/>	1125 19
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		\$ 14 74

Summary

Expended on Town Highways

Franklin Emery, 459 hrs. labor	\$137 70
George Dimick, 474 hrs. labor	156 69
Wendell Crown, 402 hrs. labor	120 72
Stanley Taisey, 330 hrs. labor	99 00

Ned Lindsey, 428 hrs. labor	128 60	
Ernest Parker, 20 hrs. labor	8 00	
Carlie Dunn, 30 hrs. labor	9 00	
William Emery, 67 hrs. labor	20 10	
Bert Bailey, 468 hrs. labor	198 60	
Ernest Taisey, 370 hrs. labor	111 00	
Gilman Summers, 137 hrs. labor	41 10	
Norman Rock, 244 hrs. labor	73 20	
Total for Labor		\$ 1103 80
Bert Bailey, 249 hrs. labor, truck	\$174 30	
J. K. White, 4 tires, and gas	186 13	
Norman Achilles, labor and repairs on truck	20 60	
Bert Bailey, money paid out on radiator	12 00	
A. M. Flanders, welding	2 75	
Perry Auto Co., repairs	9 35	
George Carpenter, plugs and gas	3 56	
Total, truck rent, garage bills and gas		408 69
H. M. Ricker, 1,311 ft. plank	\$ 32 77	
C. P. Mason, sharpening tools	1 60	
William Dana, 53 yds. gravel	5 30	
Raymond Page, 243 yds. gravel	24 30	
I. B. Frost, 18 yds. gravel	1 80	
Harley Edwards, sharpening tools	4 45	
Total, materials, etc.		70 22
Paid out for Town Highways		\$ 1582 71
Appropriation	\$1678 09	
Cost of Town	1582 71	
Unexpended money	\$ 95 38	

Bert Bailey, Road Commissioner

Summary

Expended on Unselected Highways

Franklin Emery, 428 hrs. labor	\$128 40
Wendell Crown, 353 hrs. labor	115 01
Ernest Taisey, 354 hrs. labor	106 20
Ned Lindsey, 328 hrs. labor	98 40

Norman Rock, 505 hrs. labor	151 50	
H. C. Hackett, 4 hrs. labor	3 00	
Fay Davis, 4 hrs. labor	1 33	
Richard Davis, 4 hrs. labor	1 33	
Raymond Blair, 4 hrs. labor	1 33	
Alfred Hackett, 14½ hrs. labor	8 03	
George Dimick, 509 hrs. labor	167 98	
Stanley Taisey, 18 hrs. labor	5 40	
Gilman Summers, 148 hrs. labor	44 40	
Robert Pillsbury, 16 hrs. labor	4 80	
William Emery, 360 hrs. labor	108 00	
Bert Bailey, 525 hrs. labor	222 99	
Total for Labor		\$ 1168 10
Bert Bailey, 334 hrs. labor, truck	\$233 80	
Town, 272 hrs. labor, truck	190 39	
Treasurer of Vt., 14½ hrs. labor, grader	18 13	
J. K. White, gas	86 11	
Total for truck, grader, and gas		528 43
Vt. Explosive Co., dynamite and caps	\$ 20 25	
Barrett Co., 1,007 gals. of tar	122 85	
Raymond Page, 885 yds. gravel	88 50	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	62 31	
Total for materials		293 91
Total spent		\$ 1990 44
Received for material sold		25 44
		\$ 1965 00
Appropriation from State	\$1989 60	
Balance	24 60	

Bert Bailey, Road Commissioner

Summary

Expended on Winter Highways

Wendell Crown, 171 hrs. labor	\$ 57 07
Franklin Emery, 139 hrs. labor	44 25
George Dimick, 133 hrs. labor	43 92
Bert Bailey, 353 hrs. labor	161 95

Ernest Parker, 40 hrs. labor	14 31	
William Emery, 56 hrs. labor	16 80	
Norman Rock, 56 hrs. labor	16 80	
Total for Labor	<u> </u>	\$ 355 10
Bert Bailey, 16 hrs. labor, truck	11 20	
Total truck rent	<u> </u>	11 20
Henry Goodine, 83 yds. gravel	8 30	
Total for material	<u> </u>	8 30
		<u> </u>
Total spent		\$ 374 60
Credit from Village		23 05
		<u> </u>
		\$ 351 55

Bert Bailey, Road Commissioner

Report of School Directors

EXPENDITURES

July 1, 1938 to June 30, 1939

Teachers' salaries	\$8250 00
Supervision	704 35
School Directors	88 50
Janitors	527 50
Text books	417 70
Supplies	268 91
Furniture	60 00
Repairs	204 63
Fuel and lights	621 78
Transportation	945 00
Insurance	164 76
Miscellaneous	102 18
Total	<hr/> \$12355 31

RECEIPTS

Balance July 1, 1938	\$ 177 86
State Aid	3309 11
Town Tax	6994 26
Tuition, Ryegate	1314 53
Tuition, Newbury	33 33
Tuition, Topsham	184 34
Other Sources	19 14
Federal Aid	689 65
Total	<hr/> \$12722 27
Orders Drawn	12355 31
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Balance June 30, 1939	\$ 366 96

EXPENDITURES

February 1, 1939 to January 31, 1940

Teachers' salaries	\$8597 50
Supervision	629 36
School Directors	81 50

Janitors	527 50
Text books	324 44
Supplies	351 82
Furniture	19 63
Repairs	19 05
Fuel and lights	634 06
Transportation	1000 00
Elementary tuition	15 00
Insurance	128 20
Miscellaneous	124 60
Rent	75 00
Total	<hr/> \$12527 66

RECEIPTS

February 1, 1939 to January 31, 1940

Balance Feb. 1, 1939	\$4388 03
State Aid	3432 37
Tuition, Ryegate	1389 58
Tuition, Newbury	8 33
Tuition, Topsham	388 34
Federal Aid	689 65
Ralph Evans, lease land	10 30
Mattie Frost, lease land	4 97
Amount raised by tax	6817 26
Total	<hr/> \$17128 83
Orders drawn	12527 66

Amount due account Feb. 1, 1940 \$ 4601 17

Tuition due February 1, 1940

A. Langevin Connor	\$166 67
Newbury	25 00
Topsham	50 00
Wallace Gray	36 00
	<hr/> 277 67

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURES

February 1, 1940 to June 30, 1940

Teachers' salaries	\$4247 50
Supervision	388 01

School directors	
Janitors	257 50
Text books	50 00
Supplies	100 00
Furniture	
Repairs	200 00
Fuel and lights	600 00
Transportation	577 00
Insurance	
Miscellaneous	50 00
Rent	75 00
Total	<hr/> \$ 6545 01

Estimate of Receipts

February 1, 1940 to June 30, 1940

Balance	\$4601 17
Federal Aid	558 85
Tuition	1177 66
Total	<hr/> \$ 6337 68

REPORT OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

For July 1, 1939 to June 30, 1940

TEACHERS

Village School

Charles Boright	\$1550 00
Lillian Garvin	1050 00
Kenneth Garvin	1100 00
Doris Steele (\$675 Federal Aid)	1275 00
Howard Russell (\$450 Federal Aid)	900 00
Elmer Page	700 00
Nora Tillotson	770 00
Thelma Donald	725 00
Total	<hr/> \$ 8070 00

Westville School

Grace Chamberlain	650 00
	<hr/> 650 00

Total teachers' salaries \$ 8720 00

SUPERVISION

J. Stewart Garvin	\$ 665 22
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TRANSPORTATION

Justin Ashford	\$420 00
Gordon Welch	420 00
Robert Brown	35 00
Fred Sayers	105 00
Burton Bailey	105 00
Total	\$ 1096 00

JANITORS

Village School	
C. H. Hendry	440 00
Westville School	
Orlo Goodwin	35 00
Westville school	17 50
Total	\$ 492 50

COST OF SCHOOLS FOR SIX YEARS

Year Ending February First

Year Ending	Balance bro't frd.	Tax voted for year	Rec'ts from other sources	Total Avail- able funds	Expenses for year
1935	\$4204 72	\$8662 29	\$4202 53	\$17069 54	\$11916 12
1936	5153 42	7116 19	6711 26	18980 87	12943 75
1937	6037 12	7173 63	5716 86	18927 61	12652 03
1938	6275 58	6752 89	5521 75	18550 22	14106 49
1939	4443 73	6994 26	5246 89	16684 88	12296 85
1940	4388 03	6817 26	5923 54	17128 83	12527 66

EXPENDITURES

	July 1, '38 to June 30, '39	Feb. 1, '39 to Jan. 31, '40	July 1, '39 to Jan. 31, '40	Estimated Feb. 1, '40 to June 30, '40	Estimated Budget for July 1, '40 to June 30, '41
Teachers'					
Salaries	\$ 8250 00	\$ 8597 50	\$ 4472 50	\$4247 50	\$ 8645 00
Supervision	704 35	629 36	277 21	388 01	665 00
School Directors	88 50	81 50	81 50	—	85 00
Janitors	527 50	527 50	235 00	257 50	495 00
School books	417 70	324 44	274 37	50 00	350 00
Supplies	268 91	351 82	321 47	100 00	300 00
Furniture	60 00	19 63	19 63	—	25 00
Repairs	204 63	19 05	8 30	200 00	300 00
Fuel and lights	621 78	634 06	252 34	600 00	700 00
Transportation	945 00	1000 00	519 00	577 00	1075 00
Elementary					
tuition	—	15 00	15 00	—	—
Insurance	164 76	128 20	128 20	—	165 00
Miscellaneous	102 18	124 60	80 17	50 00	100 00
Rent		75 00	75 00	75 00	150 00
Total	\$12355 31	\$12527 66	\$ 6759 69	\$6545 01	\$13055 00
Receipts					
Balance	\$ 177 86	\$ 4388 03	\$ 366 96	\$4601 17	
State	3309 11	3432 37	3432 37	—	\$ 3000 00
Town Tax	6994 26	6817 26	6817 26	—	7340 00
Tuition	1532 25	1786 25	204 00	1177 66	1650 00
Other sources	19 14	15 27	15 27	—	25 00
Federal Aid	689 65	689 65	—	558 85	1050 00
Total	\$12722 27	\$17128 83	\$10835 86	\$6337 68	\$13065 00

We recommend that a school tax of \$1.40 on the grand list be raised.

It seems necessary to ask for ten cents additional tax to balance the budget for next year. The reasons for this are:

1. There are fewer tuition pupils this year than last year.
2. From September to February of this town year we have had the benefit of not paying anything on the South School. However, during the next town year we shall receive \$345.00 less State Aid because we have discontinued this school. This loss will all come out of the next town year.

Mary Beck,
Earl Welch,
Addie Ricker,
School Directors

Report of Superintendent

Members of the School Board of Groton:

I submit, herewith, my annual report of the conditions exist-
in the schools of the town of Groton.

The Caledonia-Orange district is made up of four towns and
one incorporated district as follows: Newbury, Ryegate, Groton,
Orange and Wells River Incorporated District.

There are 46 teachers in the district—15½ in Newbury, 11 in
Ryegate, 8½ in Groton, 6 in Wells River and 5 in Orange. The
total number of pupils enrolled in the district during the Fall term
was 886, an increase of 24 over the enrollment at the correspond-
ing time last year.

The teaching staff, in the town of Groton, is the same as last
year with the exception of Mr. Howard Russell who is teaching
Agriculture and Shop Work.

The Westville School is the only rural school maintained
this year. As there were only five pupils left in the South School
district it was decided to close the school. There were no more
Topsham pupils attending the school so that there was no tuition
to help maintain it.

One more room in the village building has been painted and
put in good condition. Because of the introduction of the Agricul-
ture Course this year no very extensive repairs could be made.
Several rooms are still in poor condition.

The P. T. A. is again financing the services of a music teacher,
Mrs. Adine Farwell of Wells River. Mrs. Farwell is giving in-
struction to the elementary children and is voluntarily giving her
time to the high school girls and boys who are interested.

A total of 194 pupils were enrolled for the Fall term. The fol-
lowing table gives the enrollment by schools and by grades. The
per cent of attendance is also given.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total	% Att.
High									22	13	18	13	66	92.3
Grammar						14	14	9					37	95
Intermediate			12	15	13								40	98.4
Primary	21	18											39	96.9
Westville	1	2	5	1		1		2					12	98.4
Totals	22	20	17	16	13	15	14	11	22	13	18	13	194	96.2

A total of 22 high school tuition pupils were enrolled during the Fall term. These have all remained in school. They are divided as follows: Ryegate 19, Topsham 2, Newbury 1.

The per cent of attendance is much better than last year.

State Aid for this year is \$3432.37 compared with \$3309.11 last year. This increase is due largely to better attendance brought about by the absence of contagious diseases.

Many people in town are interested in a nurse to work in the schools. Plans are being made to have officials of the Public Health Nursing Service meet with officials of the town to see if Groton can be included in the district enjoying this service. If this can be worked out the children will certainly benefit greatly.

An Agriculture and Shop Work Course has been introduced this year. Federal aid pays for one-half the salary of the teacher. Newbury pays one-fourth and Groton one-fourth. A large percentage of the boys in school have been enrolled in the course. As there are a large number of high schools on the waiting list Groton is fortunate to be able to give this course a trial and pay only one-fourth the salary. Due to the fact that there is no available space in the village building, a room had to be secured in the Vance block. As is always the case many problems have arisen in starting the course but these will be worked out in time. Many of the boys are beginning to realize what the course will mean to them later on. I hope that the people will continue to support this course as all progressive high schools are introducing it.

The Home Economics Course is being continued under Federal aid with one-half the salary paid by the town. Nearly every girl in school is taking the course. An excellent hot lunch program is being carried on with about sixty pupils being served daily.

A large electric clock, the gift of the Alumni Association to the school, has been installed and is very much appreciated.

A different type of elementary report card is being tried out this year. A committee of teachers is making a study of different types of reporting in an effort to improve the present card.

The following is a summary of some of the things that should be considered:

1. Systematic improvement of the village building continued.
2. The services of a Public Health Nurse, for work in the schools, secured as soon as possible.

3. The Agriculture and Shop Work Course continued on a half time basis.

4. Teachers' salaries maintained at a level high enough to retain and secure good teachers.

In conclusion I wish to thank parents, teachers and directors for their cooperation with me and for the support that they have given the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Stewart Garvin,

Supt. of Schools.

Report of Overseer

Family	\$	Food	\$	Fuel	\$	Clothing	\$	Dept. of Public Welfare	\$	Hospital and	\$	Trans. and Trucking	\$	Postage Telephone	\$	Board and Labor	\$	Rebates	\$	Total
Daniels, Clara										18.00										\$ 82.50
Daniels, Hiram																				18.00
Daniels, Sophronia								30.00												30.00
Daniels, William										133.00										133.00
Darling, Margaret										5.00										5.00
Dean, Albertine								86.70												86.70
Dean, Harvey										30.00		3.00								33.00
Dionne children (3)																				217.53
Emery, Grant	108.09			4.45				217.53						.13						112.67
Emery, Irving																				10.00
Evans, John	5.41	6.00										1.93				.75				14.09
Hart, Katie								130.03												130.03
Hatch, Clyde	7.49																			7.49
Helie, Fred	12.91															160.00				229.41
Kidder, Wesley																				74.75
Page, Ellery	130.00																			130.00
Page, Malcolm	39.85																			39.85
Pomeroy, William	57.66					2.97				28.00						50.00				138.63
Welch, Mrs. Alex						1.96				77.50						123.00		3.50		198.96
William, Clarence										222.50										222.50
Willey, Forrest	22.87																			22.87
Whitehill, Ernest										20.50		8.40						20.50		8.40
Tramps (55)	1.32															41.50				42.82
Services of Overseer																180.00				180.00
Town Expenses												46.16	5.18							51.34
Totals	\$385.60	\$6.00	\$9.38	\$464.26	\$728.85	\$75.89	\$5.31	\$568.25	\$24.00	\$2219.54										\$2219.54
																				P. Stanley Taisey, Overseer

P. Stanley Talsey, Overseer

TO WHOM THE ORDERS WERE DRAWN

Mrs. Rufus Hosmer, care	\$ 117 45
Mrs. Leslie Page, care	160 50
E. D. Ricker & Son, food	223 99
J. K. White, food and medicine	82 62
B. L. Brown, food	22 21
George Dinick, labor	7 71
William Cassidy, gasoline	1 65
Rufus Hosmer, transportation	8 40
Walter W. Wesley, guardian fee	7 00
Dept. of Public Welfare	464 26
Ellery Page, food	130 00
E. D. Rogers, fuel	3 00
Railroads and Trucking companies, transportation	4 13
H. M. Ricker, food and fuel	7 13
C. E. Brady, M. D., medicine and services	148 00
Moses Randall, board of tramps	33 21
Virginia Frost, care and labor	69 47
J. D. Miller, food	7 49
Franklin Emery, labor	75
Stanley Ingram, labor	3 00
John French, transportation	3 00
Stanley Taisey, services	165 00
Money paid out	43 49
Montgomery Ward, clothing	4 58
Pearl Keenan, R. N., care	30 00
Groton Grain Company,	4 00
Mary Fletcher Hospital, board and care	196 70
Elner Fitzgerald, board	42 75
Rena Kingsbury, R. N., care	60 00
Horace Page, board	6 00
Maggie Frost, board	2 00
Faun G. Barney, R. N., care	77 50

Annie Wright, R. N., care	50 00
Mrs. Robert Pillsbury, R. N., care	3 15
George Carpenter, transportation	8 40
Helen E. Jamcison, R. N., care	35 00
Fred White, labor	10 00

Total orders drawn	\$2243 54
Less rebates	24 00

Total cost to town	\$2219 54
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P. Stanley Taisey,
Overseer of Poor.

FEDERAL COMMODITIES RECEIVED

Graham and Wheat Flour	3695 lbs.
Cereal and Cornmeal	1967 lbs.
Rice and Oatmeal	472 lbs.
Dried Fruit (raisins, prunes, peaches)	1156 lbs.
Butter	620 lbs.
Skim milk	178 lbs.
Evaporated milk	379 cans
Grapefruit juice and Peas	57 cans
Fresh fruit (grapefruit, oranges, apples)	22 crates

At the direction of Federal authorities these have been distributed to 57 families or approximately 213 persons.

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P. Stanley Taisey,
Overseer of Poor.

Report of Library Trustees

Received

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1939	\$ 56 99
Annual appropriation from town for 1939	25 00
First prize for decorated car at Community Field Day	5 00
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	\$ 86 99

Cash Paid Out

Books purchased	\$ 52 17
Trip to Lancaster for gift of books and inheritance tax on the same	5 85
Mrs. Renfrew for listing books	7 50
Material for decorating car	50
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	\$ 66 02
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Balance on hand January 31, 1940	\$ 20 97

Mrs. Fannie M. B. Ricker,
Treasurer of Library Trustees

Report of Librarian

Money Received

Cash on hand	\$ 5 23
Fines received	12 44
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Total	\$ 17 67

Money Paid Out

Subscriptions	\$ 8 50
Post cards	2 75
Cash on hand	6 42
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Total	\$ 17 67

Mrs. J. B. Renfrew
Librarian

Report of Auditors

WHERE THE MONEY WENT IN 1939

Selectmen's Dept.

Fixed Charges		
Old Age Asssistance Assessment	\$ 947 25	
U. S. Route 302 Assessment	946 92	
Farm Bureau Assessment	81 40	
Two Bonds Paid and Retired	1500 00	
County Tax	78 28	
Total	<hr/>	\$ 3553 85
Interest		
On Bonds	892 50	
On Interest Bearing Orders	529 23	
Total	<hr/>	1421 73
Borrowed Money		
Montpelier National Bank	3000 00	
Nelson W. Whitehill	500 00	
Total	<hr/>	3500 00
Cemetery Fund Income	62 85	
Salaries and Mileage	782 50	
Total	<hr/>	845 35
General Expenses		1626 46
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		\$10947 39

School Department

Spent		\$12527 66
From State	\$3432 37	
Tuition	1786 23	
Federal	689 65	
Other Sources	15 27	
Total	<hr/>	5923 54

Net Cost to Town	\$ 6604 12
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Overseer's Department

Total paid out	\$ 2243 54
Less Rebates	24 00
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Net Cost to Town	\$ 2219 54

Roads

Selected Highway No. 1	\$1139 93
Unselected Highways	1990 44
Town Highways	1582 71
Winter Roads by Road Commissioner	374 60
Winter Roads by Selectmen	794 47
Total	<hr/> \$ 5882 15
Rec'd from State for Roads and Hurricane Damage	4350 36
Net Cost of Roads to Town	<hr/> \$ 1531 79
Outstanding 1938 Orders Paid	\$ 819 55
Selectmen	10947 39
Schools	6604 12
Roads	1531 79
Overseer	2219 54
Net Cost to Town	<hr/> \$22113 39
Received from other sources	10297 90
	<hr/> \$32411 29
Outstanding 1939 School Order	5 00
	<hr/> \$32406 29
Cash on hand	1381 57
	<hr/> \$33787 86

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN FROM 1928 to 1940

Year	Grand List	Rate	Town Debt
1928-9	\$6456 76	\$3 50	\$ 8299 21
1929-30	6439 50	3 50	14498 67
1930-1	6286 82	3 75	19993 63
1931-2	6254 93	3 50	21880 97
1932-3	5894 73	4 00	19711 15
1933-4	5835 06	3 00	17889 10

1934-5	5774 86	3 00	20599 58
1935-6	5473 99	3 00	22038 97
1936-7	5518 18	4 00	29865 33
1937-8	5402 31	3 75	26834 83
1938-9	5380 20	3 60	25666 12
1939-40	5244 05	3 75	21601 81

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

Tractor and Snow Plow	\$ 4000 00
Ford Truck	150 00
Two Road Machines	875 00
Three Safes	1000 00
60 Rolls of Snow Fence	450 00
One Sander	100 00
School Property	28900 00
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	\$35475 00

ABSTRACT OF GRAND LIST AND TAXES RAISED

Total appraised valuation of taxable real estate	\$429165 00
Total appraised valuation of personal property	53140 00
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Total valuation of real estate and personal property	\$482305 00
One per cent of total appraised valuation	\$ 4823 05
421 polls assessed at \$1.00 each	421 00
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Total Grand List	\$ 5244 05
Tax assessed at \$3.75 on the dollar plus 421 polls at \$2.50 each, total	\$20718 12
Total tax outstanding Feb. 1, 1939	19040 70
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Tax Bill	\$39758 82
Plus two 1938 poll taxes (\$12.20) and one 1939 poll tax (\$6.25)	18 45
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Total	\$39777 37

Total amount collected	\$20731 29
Total Discount	171 22
Total Amount abated	163 83
Total Tax Outstanding	<u> </u> \$18710 93

We have audited the accounts of the several town officers.

J. Clarence Welch
Philip T. White
Wilson W. Pillsbury
Auditors.

BIRTHS—1939

- Patricia Ann Ingram, born Jan. 22, 1939, daughter of Stanley B. and Harriette J. (Yattaw) Ingram.
- Arthur Lamson Boright, born Jan. 28, 1939, son of Charles P. and Edith May (Lamson) Boright.
- Loren Gilbert Daniels, born April 27, 1939, son of Clara Ellen Daniels.
- Lawrence Gilman Daniels, born April 27, 1939, son of Clara Ellen Daniels.
- Lyman Peter Blanchard, Jr., born June 2, 1939, son of Lyman H. and Roseanna V. (Reilly) Blanchard.
- Helen Ann Sanville, born June 4, 1939, daughter of Almon E. and Marie L. (Frechette) Sanville.
- Harold Stanley Eastman, Jr., born June 18, 1939, son of Harold S. and Perlene D. (Page) Eastman.
- Louise Rose Berno, born July 1, 1939, daughter of Elson E. and Bertha (Hart) Berno.
- Carlene Ann Dunn, born July 7, 1939, daughter of Carlos M. and Annie M. (Welch) Dunn.
- Sandra Blanche Darling, born Sept. 15, 1939, daughter of Calvin V. and Laura E. (Hart) Darling.
- Delia Kay Heath, born Oct. 21, 1939, daughter of Waldo Hazen and Lemira E. (Fellows) Heath.
- Alberta Louise Darling, born Oct. 9, 1939, daughter of Perley D. and Eunice L. (Page) Darling.
- Roberta Leona Darling, born Oct. 9, 1939, daughter of Perley D. and Eunice L. (Page) Darling.

MARRIAGES — 1939

- Samuel Frederick Kirkwood, Hinsdale, N. H. and Gladys Viola Hood, Groton, Vt. Married Jan. 8, 1939.
- Lougee A. Landry, Barnet, Vt. and Lydia Mae Annis, Groton, Vt. Married Jan. 22, 1939.
- Gordon L. Welch, Groton, Vt. and Geneva I. Bane, Groton, Vt. Married March 26, 1939.
- Leslie P. Bixby, Groton, Vt. and Hazel Ellen Hanchett, Groton, Vt. Married April 29, 1939.
- Paul Henry Hatch, Groton, Vt. and Lillian May Larock, Lisbon, N. H. Married April 19, 1939.

Guy Earl Labounty, Newbury, Vt. and Madeline R. Hood, Groton,
Vt. Married March 31, 1939.
James Dennis Rouhan, Groton, Vt. and Pauline McLam, Groton,
Vt. Married June 15, 1939.
Stanley Hart, Groton, Vt. and Jeannine Lacroix, Woodbury, Vt.
Married July 1, 1939.
Earl E. Magoon, Corinth, Vt. and Dorothy L. Eastman, Groton,
Vt. Married Aug. 26, 1939.
Newton Dale Brown, Groton, Vt. and Janice Arlene Wills, North-
field, Vt. Married Aug. 5, 1939.
Guy Rodney Haskell, Groton, Vt. and Carolyn Aris Hooper, Rye-
gate, Vt. Married Oct. 15, 1939.
Clayton Milford Holt, Marshfield, Vt. and Phillis Lucile Moulton,
Groton, Vt. Married Oct. 21, 1939.
Leonard Jackson Brock, Barnet, Vt. and Mary Elizabeth Main,
Groton, Vt., Married Nov. 4, 1939.
Ernest A. Hart, Groton, Vt. and Lillian Mavis Moses, Topsham,
Vt. Married Nov. 11, 1939.

DEATHS — 1939

Jan. 27, Aaron J. Welch, Andover, N. H. Age 57 yrs., 11 mos.,
26 days.
Feb. 19, Nellie Johnson, at Montpelier. Age 64 yrs., 8 mos.,
24 days.
Apr. 30, Harvey E. Dean, at Groton. Age 36 yrs., 5 mos., 24 dys.
June 1, Alfred George Frechette, at Groton. Age 53 yrs.
July 18, Alfred Helie, at Groton. Age 63 yrs., 4 mos., 28 days.
Nov. 21, Georgiana H. Achilles, at Groton. Age 32 yrs., 3 mos.,
13 days.
Dec. 7, Irving C. Emery, at Groton. Age 39 yrs., 10 mos., 3 dys.
Dec. 25, John K. White, at Groton. Age 57 yrs., 9 mos., 29 dys.

Groton Cemetery

PERMANENT FUNDS — Year ending Jan. 31, 1940.

No. Book	Lot	Fund	Care	Bal.
Deposited in Woodsville Guar.				
Sav. Bank				
17872	John Benzie	\$109 21	\$1 40	\$107 81
Quarry Sav. Bk. & Tr. Co.				
13837	David H. Vance	103 00	1 40	101 60
Montpelier Sav. Bk. & Tr. Co.				
43220	George H. Vance	88 79	1 05	87 74
Barton Sav. Bk. & Tr. Co.				
14923	George Burnham	105 50	1 40	104 10
Barre Trust Co.				
3291	Moses Plummer	85 44	1 40	84 04
Merchants National Bank				
6663	Linnie Brock	108 41	1 40	107 01
Passumpsic Savings Bank				
48104	John Crown	102 01	1 40	100 61
47829	Daniel Roberts	51 51	1 00	50 51
47749	J. Austin Welch	107 46	1 40	106 06
47116	Franklin J. Emery	160 80	—	160 80
46803	E. J. Clark & Daniel Coffrin	102 61	1 40	101 21
44466	David & George Whitehill	105 46	1 40	104 06
42337	Timothy Emery	108 14	1 40	106 74
43263	George R. Brown	104 39	1 40	102 99
43154	Jesse Heath	52 04	1 00	51 04
39570	M. & B. M. & F. M. Weld	212 86	3 00	209 86
43344	Morris D. Coffrin	109 38	1 40	107 98
40864	S. P. Welch	108 92	1 40	107 52
35369	A. P. Renfrew	308 92	3 55	305 37
Wells River Sav. Bank				
14185	Richard C. Annis	101 33	1 00	100 33
11198	Frank Ricker	106 78	1 40	105 38
11200	William Ricker	121 58	1 40	120 18
12090	John Butson	105 04	1 40	103 64

12683 G. P. Sanderson	76 57	1 05	75 52
13154 Phebe Bailey	104 30	1 40	102 90
13608 James K. Adams	51 07	1 90	50 07
13823 James A. Gerald	102 02	1 40	100 62
13853 Frank P. Heath	51 26	1 00	50 26
14059 Robert T. Heath	102 51	1 75	100 76

Citizens Sav. Bk. & Tr. Co.

27881 Nathan H. Ricker	364 39	—	364 39
33523 W. H. Glover	103 75	1 75	102 00
31119 S. E. Page	231 23	2 80	228 43
32646 J. H. Welch	109 79	1 40	108 39
18289 Meroa H. Renfrew	252 41	2 15	250 26
22787 William Dow	143 02	1 40	141 62
18290 F. R. Seaver	151 61	1 40	150 21
27196 H. L. Gilman	367 98	4 55	363 43
27024 William Taisey	107 59	1 40	106 19
29672 W. L. Wiles	116 29	1 40	114 89
23732 Lester Low	118 01	2 60	115 41
37039 Alex & E. Renfrew	106 26	1 40	104 86

Total Cemetery Funds	\$5329 64	\$62 85	\$5266 79
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Mary J. R. Hall and John Taisey Lots

By the provisions of the will of the late Mary J. R. Hall, the Citizens Savings Bank and Trust Company was made Trustee of a Fund of \$1000.00 for the care of these lots. Amount expended this year, \$5.04.

John French
Gerald Morse
C. J. Bailey
Selectmen

NOTICE!

The inhabitants of the Town of Groton who are legal voters in Town meeting are hereby notified and warned to meet in Morrison Hall in Groton Village on Tuesday, March 5th, A. D. 1940, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles to wit:

- 1st. To choose a Moderator for ensuing year.
- 2nd. To elect a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- 3rd. To take action on the Town Report as printed.
- 4th. To elect all necessary Town Officers.
- 5th. To vote to raise money to retire bonds due each year and pay the current expenses of the Town.
- 6th. To see if the Town will vote to declare a recess for the purpose of holding the annual school meeting at the close of this meeting.
- 7th. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 2% on taxes on Real Estate and personal property if paid on or before July 10th, and a discount of 1% if paid on or before Sept. 10th.
- 8th. To see if the Town will vote a sum of money for the benefit of McLure Student Band, and if so, how much?
- 9th. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Auditors of the Town to employ the services of an accountant from the office of the Auditor of Accounts as provided by No. 55 of the Acts of 1937, to conduct an audit of the accounts of the Town.
- 10th. To see if the Town will vote an interest charge of 6% on all future delinquent taxes.
- 11th. To see if the Town will vote to adopt Daylight Saving Time for the following summer.
- 12th. To see if the Town will vote to raise an additional tax of \$.25 on the dollar for the purchase of a new truck and truck snow plow.
- 13th. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen
 - (a) To arrange for proper recognition of Vermont's Birthday Anniversary during the Town Meeting held on March 4, 1941.

(b) To appoint at once a committee to co-operate throughout the year with other state and local committees in recognition and celebration of 1941 as Vermont's Sesquicentennial Year.

- 14th. Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this Town?
- 15th. Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this Town?
- 16th. To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

John W. French
Gerald Morse
C. J. Bailey
Selectmen.

On the adjournment of the above meeting the legal voters of the Groton Town School District will meet to transact the following business:

- 1st. To elect a Moderator.
- 2nd. To elect a School Director for three years.
- 3rd. To vote the necessary sum of money for the support of its schools.
- 4th. To transact any other business to come before this meeting.
Dated at Groton, this 16th day of Feb. 1940.

John W. French
Gerald Morse
C. J. Bailey
Selectmen.

